

***Wisconsin Rural Water Association Annual Technical Conference  
Tuesday, March 26, 2024  
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<b><i>Tuesday, March 26, 2024</i></b>			
8:30-5:00	WRWA Committee Meetings- Board Room B		
<b>PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS</b>			
<b>WATER OPERATION &amp; MAINTENANCE 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor South Ballroom A</b>		<b>WASTEWATER OPERATION &amp; MAINTENANCE 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor South Ballroom B</b>	
9:00	<b><i>Distribution Monitoring, Measurement, and Accountability</i></b>  Steve Dauster – Midwest Meter, Inc.	9:00	<b><i>Don't Settle for Lazy Microbes, Activate Your Biomass!</i></b>  Daniel McKeaton – Aquafix, Inc.
10:00	<b><i>Preparing for this Year's Water Tank Evaluation</i></b>  Dan Popehn – KLM Engineering, Inc.	10:00	<b><i>So you're Considering a Pump Station Rehab...</i></b>  Eric Lynne – Donohue & Associates, Inc. and Nick Martin – City of Stanley
11:00	<b><i>2024 Updates pertaining to the Brass and Waterworks Industry</i></b>  Royce Van Roekel – A.Y. McDonald Mfg. Co	11:00	<b><i>Bar Screens for Rural America</i></b>  Tsurumi Pump & William Reid
12:00	LUNCH – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Ballroom Area		
1:00	<b><i>To Inventory and Beyond! LCRR, now LCRI Doesn't Have to Feel Like a Wild Goose Chase</i></b>  Carl Nickander – 120Water	1:00	<b><i>Key Considerations of Lagoon Aeration Technology</i></b>  Joe Martirano – MSA Professional Services
2:00	<b><i>Water Service Line Materials and Best Practices</i></b>  Paul Kuoppala – Rehau-Municipex	2:00	<b><i>Maintaining a Small Community's Electrical Assets</i></b>  Paul Zouski, PE – Clark Dietz, Inc.
3:00	<b><i>The Backflow Class Reunion – 20 Years of WRWA Education</i></b>  Gary “The Backflow Nerd” McLaren – Hydrocorp & Rich Davison – Soderholm & Associates	3:00	<b><i>Optimizing Blower Filtration for Reliability, Efficiency, and Value</i></b>  Doug Visnack & Rob Geyer – Endustra Filter Manufacturers

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8:00	Registration – La Crosse Center South Lobby
9:00	<b>Opening Session</b> – Ballrooms A, B, C <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Welcome:</b> Chris Groh, WRWA Executive Director</li> <li>▪ <b>Opening Speaker:</b> Ron Schara – Writer and Television Personality-Ron Schara Productions</li> <li>▪ <b>WRWA Annual Awards Presentations</b></li> </ul>
*	<b>Exhibit Hall opens following Opening Session – South Hall &amp; Large Equipment in Arena</b>
11:30	Lunch – South Hall Exhibit Area
1:00-5:00	<b>1:00 PM – 2:00PM: <i>USDA Rural Development Updates</i></b> – Nate Billingham, Stephen Opatik, Julie Lassa, & Scott Schatschneider  <b>2:00PM – 3:00PM: <i>WI Department of Natural Resources Updates</i></b>  <i>Drinking Water and Groundwater Updates</i> – Ann Hirekatur & Adam DeWeese <i>Funding Updates</i> – Noah Balgooyen <i>Lead Service Line Replacement Program Updates</i> – Kate Leja-Brennan <i>Emerging Contaminants/PFAS Funding Program Updates</i> – Ryan Atkinson  <b>3:00PM – 4:00PM: <i>WI Public Service Commission Regulatory Updates</i></b> – Tony Knipfer  <b>4:00PM – 5:00PM: <i>Open Discussion</i></b>

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<b><i>Thursday, March 28, 2024 – Divided Classrooms on 1st-Floor Level</i></b>				
7:30	Registration – La Crosse Center Main Entrance			
	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor North Hall Room A	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor North Hall Room B	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor North Hall Room C	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor North Hall Room D
9:30	<b><i>Rural Water PFAS Litigation and Settlements for Your Utility</i></b>  Hank Naughton – Napoli Shkolnik.	<b><i>Seeing Beneath the Surface</i></b>  Douglas Gries – Ferguson Waterworks	<b><i>True or False Safety Requirements for DSPS</i></b>  Vince Matarrese – Advanced Safety Technology, Inc.	<b><i>Going Green with Reed Beds for Biosolids Management</i></b>  Tia McCarthy, PE & Jon Strand, PE – CBS Squared, Inc.
10:30	<b><i>PFAS Treatment Using Anion Resin in Wisconsin</i></b>  Jim Groose – WaterSurplus	<b><i>Well Drilling Methods &amp; Techniques with Case Studies</i></b>  Dick Milaeger & Tracy Greenfield – Municipal Well and Pump	<b><i>Viola’s Path to Resilience: Economic Recovery and Water System Revitalization</i></b>  Gary Blazek, PE & Matt Muchow, PE – Vierbicher	<b><i>What to Expect When You’re Constructing</i></b>  Kevin Berg – Donohue & Associates, Inc.
11:30	Lunch – South Hall & Arena Exhibit Areas			
12:00	Water Taste Test – Commons Area			
1:00	Exhibit Hall Closes			
1:00	<b><i>Do’s and Don’ts of Pipeline Installation</i></b>  Shawn Smith – McWane Ductile	<b><i>City of LaCrosse Utilities Locate Ticket Management Case Study</i></b>  City of LaCrosse Utilities & KorTerra	<b><i>Grant Funding – Which one is Right for You?</i></b>  Bridgot Gysbers – Ruekert & Mielke, Inc.	<b><i>Nitrogen Removal Basics for Ponds and Lagoons</i></b>  Pat Morrow – MSA Professional Services
2:00	<b><i>Water Tank Maintenance and Life Cycle Cost</i></b>  Rich Kemmis – Maguire	<b><i>Lead Service Line Replacement Programs in Small/Medium-Sized Cities: Challenges and Opportunities</i></b>  Brea Grace and Henry Elling – Short Elliott Hendrickson (SEH)	<b><i>A Brief History and Best Practices in Emergency Preparedness Planning &amp; Response</i></b>  Davis Wolf – Core & Main LP	<b><i>Water Quality Trading Clearinghouse: Maximizing Value and Minimizing Risk</i></b>  Chris Murphy – Wisconsin Clearinghouse, LLC and Mark O’Leary - RES
3:00	<b><i>Future of AMI Technology and Water Conservation</i></b>  Kyle Moore – Metron Farnier	<b><i>Considerations in Selection, Installation and Startup of Standby Power Generation Systems</i></b>  Michael Kahn & Robert Madura – CDM Smith	<b><i>Increasing Your Water Systems Resilience to Cyber Threats and Natural Hazards</i></b>  Karen S. Edwards-Lindsey – U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Water, Water Infrastructure and Cyber Resilience Division	<b><i>Using Trenchless Technologies to Avoid Waterway Impacts</i></b>  Diane Thoune, PE – Clark Dietz, Inc

***Thursday, March 28, 2024 – Classrooms on 3<sup>rd</sup>-Floor Level***

	3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor South Ballroom A		3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor South Ballroom B
8:30	<b>Annual Membership Meeting</b>	8:30	Break
		9:30	<b><i>Wisconsin Retirement System Updates</i></b> Mark Moroni – Wisconsin Department of Employee Trust Funds
11:30	Lunch – South Hall & Arena Exhibit Areas		
12:00	Water Taste Test – Commons Area		
1:00	Exhibit Hall Closes		
2:00	<b><i>Nitrification in Cold Weather</i></b> Triplepoint Environmental	2:00	<b><i>Social Security and Medicare Updates</i></b> Ricardo Acevedo – Social Security Administration
3:00	<b><i>Working with Industrial Dischargers</i></b> Jesse Hass & Tony Roche – Wisconsin Rural Water Association		

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8:00	<b><i>Catch Leaks Before They Catch you, Next Generation Smart Meters</i></b>  Brad Simms – Dakota Supply Group	8:00	<b><i>Piece of Cake: Geotextile Tubes and Dewatering Aerobically Digested Sludge</i></b>  Matt Castillo – MSA Professional Services
9:00	<b><i>What's Happening with PFAS in Wisconsin</i></b>  Susan Wojtkiewicz – Donohue & Associates, Inc	9:00	<b><i>Planned and Emergency Bypass Pumping Systems</i></b>  Robert Riley & Derek McWilliams –Xylem
10:00	<b><i>How to Properly Size a Dehumidifier in a Waterplant or Pumphouse</i></b>  John Szymanski – The HI-E Dry/ Quest Guy	10:00	<b><i>Power Quality and Pumps...Is your Power Killing Your Pumps</i></b>  Glenn Panner – Grundfos